GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:280
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`PRODUCTION OF FODDER`
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government provides any incentive/ financial assistance to increase the production of fodder in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(c) the details of the schemes launched by the Government to increase the production of fodder;

(d) whether the Government has made any assessment of the requirement and the actual production of fodder in the country; and

(e) if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR)

(a) to (e): A statement is placed on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (e) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 280 TO BE ANSWERED ON 15 MARCH, 2011.

(a) and (b); Yes Madam. Details of financial assistance to various states is annexed.

(c) Two schemes are being implemented by this department:

(i) Centrally Sponsored Fodder and Feed Development Scheme. Details are tabulated below:

s.No	Name of Modified Components/ New Components	Pattern of Assistance
1	Establishment of Fodder Block Making Unit/	50:50
2	Grassland Development including Grass Keserves	100:00
3	Fodder Seed Procurement and Distribution	75:25
4	Strengthening of Feed Testing Laboratories	50:50
5a	Introduction of hand driven chaffcutter	75:25
5b	Introduction of power driven chaff cutter	75:25
6	Establishment of silage making Units	100:00
7	Demonstration of Azolla cultivation and production units:	50:50
8	Establishment of by-pass protein production units	25:75
9	Establishment of Area Specific Mineral Mixture / Feed Pelleting/ Feed jnanufacturing Unit:	25:75

(ii) Central Sector Scheme namely Central Fodder Development Organization (CFDOs) comprises the following components;

(a) Seven Regional Stations for Forage Production and Demonstrations (RSFP&D)
(b) One Central Fodder Seed Production Farm(CFSPF)
(c) Central Minikit Testing Programme (CMTP).

Through the fodder stations production of quality fodder seeds and extension activities on high yielding varieties of fodder crops and adoption of better agriculture practices are propagated. Under CMTP fodder Minikits are supplied to State Governments for further distribution among the farmers, free of cost.

(d) and (e): As per a study conducted by NABARD Consultancy Services (NABCONS)in 2007-08, a large gap exists between demand and supply of fodder in the country as per details given below:

(Dry matter in million tones)

Types	Demand	Availability	Gap
Dry Fodder	416	253	163(40%)
Greens	222	143	79(36%)